

**CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03-431  
RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
DUE TO WATER LEAK**

WHEREAS, the City of White Salmon Public Works Department has reported that in June and July of 2015 staff repaired a water leak along Arnett Road. During those repairs, they identified a leak on the main line that they could not locate. This winter, water finally surfaced at the location of the leak. On February 24<sup>th</sup>, Public Works uncovered the leak and attempted to make the repairs. When they discovered that additional equipment was needed to complete the repairs because of the number and nature of the leaks, they returned the following day with the additional equipment to make the repairs. Due to the high pressure on the mainline, the larger repair bands did not work. The Public Works Department does not have the right equipment to accomplish the needed repair in an effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the unrepaired leaks on the mainline create a potential backflow hazard; and

WHEREAS, there is an emergency present, which necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to the City of White Salmon Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan;

WHEREAS, to properly access appropriate services and equipment in a timely manner the City may need to waive competitive bidding requirements and award all necessary contracts on behalf of the City to properly address the incident;

NOW THEREFORE, the White Salmon City Council do resolve as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby declared an emergency as defined by RCW 39.04.280(3) due to the unforeseen nature of the condition and the immediate risk to damage property and endanger health.

Section 2. Pursuant to the emergency declared in Section 1, the City Public Works Department is authorized to enter into contract and incur obligations necessary to address such emergency with approval of the Mayor. Emergency measures may include purchasing custom-built materials and other related activities necessary to abate the emergency.

Section 3. The declaration of a local emergency set forth in Section 1 shall terminate when in the Mayor's judgment the emergency measures contained herein are no longer required to safeguard property and public health.

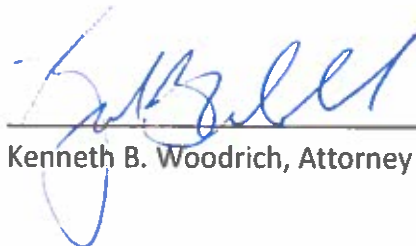
Passed by the City Council this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2016 by not fewer than a majority plus one of the Council.

  
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Jason Sabourin, Mayor Pro Tempore  
Allan Wolf

ATTEST:

  
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Leana Johnson, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Kenneth B. Woodrich, Attorney